

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

The replacement sheet in the Appendix includes changes to Figure 1. In Figure 1, the previously omitted element number "A1" has been added.

REMARKS

The specification and drawings have been amended to make editorial changes therein.

The previously pending claims have been replaced with new claims 8-9. The new claims have been drafted bearing in mind the rejection under §112, second paragraph. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection are respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 3-4, and 6-7 were rejected as anticipated by ADACHI 6,018,642; and claim 2 was rejected as unpatentable over ADACHI in view of HOFFMANN et al. 2004/0114535. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection are respectfully requested in view of the new claims.

ADACHI disclose a system in which a base station periodically transmits a beacon signal to an intermittent-power-making-type mobile station that is changed to a power-making state synchronously with the reception timing of the beacon signal and for a fixed period of time thereafter (the data reception enable period). When data are to be transmitted to the intermittent-power-making-type mobile station during the data reception enable period, the data are preferentially transmitted. However, this system does not include the features of new claims 8-9.

ADACHI does not disclose a plurality of computers that each has a power source and a wireless LAN device, where the LAN device is adapted to turn ON the first computer when the beacon

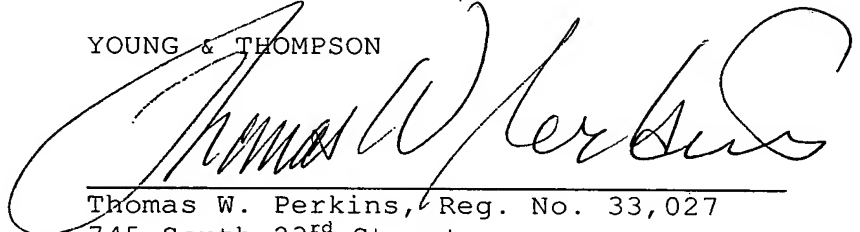
signal indicates that the message is to be received and to return to the sleep state when the beacon message does not indicate that the message is to be received. Nor does ADACHI disclose that the LAN device is adapted to use its source of internal power to respond to the beacon signal when the first computer is not ON and to use the power source of the first computer when the first computer is ON. HOFFMANN et al. do not make up for these shortcomings. New claim 9 is allowable for the same reasons. Accordingly, the new claims avoid the rejections under §102 and §103.

In view of the present amendment and the foregoing remarks, it is believed that the present application has been placed in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

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APPENDIX:

The Appendix includes the following item:

- one replacement drawing sheet